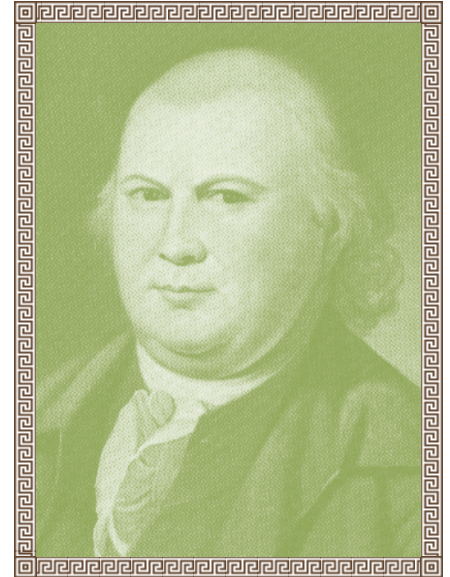


ROBERT MORRIS



STATE - Pennsylvania

AGE - 42 (Born: 1/31/1734)

HOME - Philadelphia, Pennsylvania

EDUCATION - Local Schools

FAMILY - 1 Marriage, 7 Children

JOBS BEFORE CONGRESS - Businessman, Shipper

WHAT HE IS LIKE - Wealthy, Patriot, Generous, Conservative

WHERE TO FIND HIM IN PHILADELPHIA - Trying to make up his mind.

BEFORE THE CONGRESS Robert Morris was born in Liverpool, England but later moved to Maryland to help his father in the tobacco business. After he went to school he got a job with a big shipping company. He did very well in this job and later became one of the directors of the company. Robert did not support the Independence Movement until the war began. After the war broke out, his company supplied the Continental Army with guns and ammunition.

AT THE CONGRESS Robert Morris was chosen as a delegate to the Continental Congress in 1775. He was a key member of Congress and he dealt with money matters and military affairs. Sometimes he spent his own money to buy weapons for the army. Even though Robert was a great Patriot, he thought America could still make peace with the British and did not vote for independence. When the critical vote was made, he stayed away from Congress so that Pennsylvania could support independence.

DATE OF DEATH 5/8/1806, (72 Years Old)

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CONGRESSIONAL INSTRUCTIONS: You like Thomas Jefferson's Draft of the Declaration of Independence. However, you object to the passage in the Declaration that talks badly of the British People because you have friends in England. You will agree to accept the Declaration of Independence only if Congress takes the passage out.

FINAL VOTING: After the passages are taken out and the final vote is called to accept the Declaration of Independence you stand and say:
Although I, Robert Morris of Pennsylvania, can not vote aye, I will abstain so I do not stand in the way of my colony passing the Declaration of Independence.

Robert Morris